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SUBJECT: OFFICIAL INFORMAL

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1. WE UNDERSTAND RECONSTRUCTION OF THE ROYAL CASTLE (ZAMEK KROLOWY) IS AT OR NEAR COMPLETION. WHITE HOUSE PLANNERS ARE INTERESTED IN THE POSSIBILITY OF FURTHER PUBLIC VISIBILITY FOR THE PRESIDENT AND MRS. CARTER DURING THE WARSAW STOP AND ARE CONSIDERING A VISIT TO THE ZAMEK--A BRIEF TOUR WITHIN AND A CHANCE TO LINGER OUTSIDE FOR APPEARANCE BEFORE A CROWD. THE ZAMEK'S LOCATION ON THE PLAC ZAMKOWY WOULD AFFORD VISIBILITY, AND A VISIT THERE BY THE PRESIDENT AND/OR MRS. CARTER WOULD CONSTITUTE RECOGNITION OF POLAND'S HERITAGE AND ITS POSTWAR RECONSTRUCTION. MOREOVER, AMERICAN POLONIA'S ROLE IN CONTRIBUTING FUNDS FOR RECONSTRUCTION GIVES IT A LINK WITH POLISH-AMERICANS THAT THE VISIT COULD UNDERSCORE.

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2. WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR COMMENTS ON THIS AND ANY ALTERNATIVE SUGGESTIONS FOR SUCH A PUBLIC EVENT.

3. COMMENT: THIS IS THE FIRST OFFICIAL-INFORMAL TELEGRAM AS DISCUSSED IN MY LETTER TO YOU OF SEPTEMBER 29. PLEASE SLUG REPLY FOR ME, WITH CAPTION "FOR EUR/EE ONLY, 3 COPIES ONLY." CHRISTOPHER

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